IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit: 1635

Examiner: WOLLENBERGER, LOUIS V

Title: BIOINFORMATICALLY DETECTABLE

GROUP OF NOVEL REGULATORY BACTERIAL AND BACTERIAL ASSOCIATED OLIGONUCLEOTIDES

AND USES THEREOF

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

Applicant: Itzhak Bentwich

App. No.: 10/709,691

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In response to the Office Action mailed September 19, 2007 (the "Office Action" hereafter), please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below in accordance with the Rules of Practice. Submitted herewith is a Petition for a three-month extension of time and the requisite fee of \$1,050.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), which extends the deadline for filling a response to March 19, 2008.

No other fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this paper, however, should any fees be deemed necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Deposit Account No. 50-1662 referencing the above docket number.

Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2 of this response; and Remarks begin at page 3.